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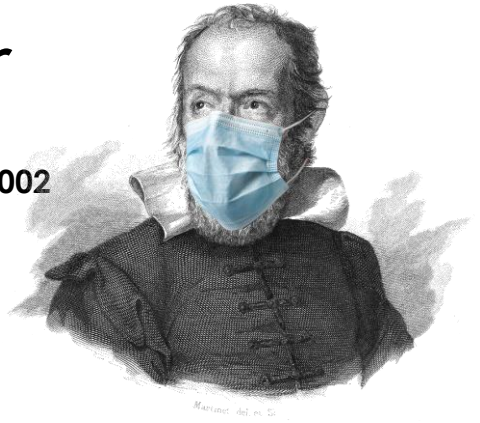
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A Century of Knowledge

Time to reflect as we try and move forward into the next 100 years. We find the school district losing many familiar people as it struggles to rebuild from the ashes. Students are reinventing the world anew as the digital divide has exposed new thoughts on how to tackle life. Please take a moment to pick up a Galileo sweatshirt or cap. Send a greeting or check-in on someone in the community. The school is continuing on as well as it can and students are weathering the ever-changing conditions to keep schooling. Considering the predictable future struggles that will come to fruition, a maybe spare a penny or two in support of our community. As always, Galileo alumni will be around to help and guide any and every one the best that we can. Be kind to each other and yourselves. Stay safe.

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For the "Galileo 100 Project", we would like to partner with the Galileo Parents, Teachers, Students, Alumni and Admin, to create a "Once in a lifetime celebration for all to enjoy. We will take a trip back-in-time to experience the creation of the Galileo High School, advance to the current time, and into the future of what Galileo can be."

Please join us and be on one of our committees. Email

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Galileo 100 – Centennial Celebration

We will be celebrating the 100 Centennial this year, coinciding with the Song & Yell and Football game in October. Details to follow. We are in the process of having meetings to discuss the events and activities that we will be holding. There are three committees, Weekend Planning/Fundraising-PR/Marketing, Visual Media and History. If you would like to help and join any one of these committees we would love to have you. It's fun and very interesting to see how Galileo has grown since 1921. Please join us, we can surely use the help. If interested, email galileoalumni@yahoo.com

Got Memorabilia? Donate it Today!

If you have Galileo memorabilia, consider donating it to the school. Galileo Academy will be celebrating its 100th anniversary in 2021, and plans are being made to have a showcase of past Galileo artifacts. Check your closets, attic and basement for saved items such as sports uniforms, shoes, hats, T-shirts, jackets, block G items, photos, old Pendulums and yearbooks and any other items associated with Galileo. Of course the donor will be acknowledged with their name. We are trying to preserve the rich history of our school. Your donations will go a long way to reaching our goal. Send your items to: Galileo ALUMNI – 1150 Francisco Street, San Francisco, CA 94109 or call Charlene Mori at (415) 654-2022.

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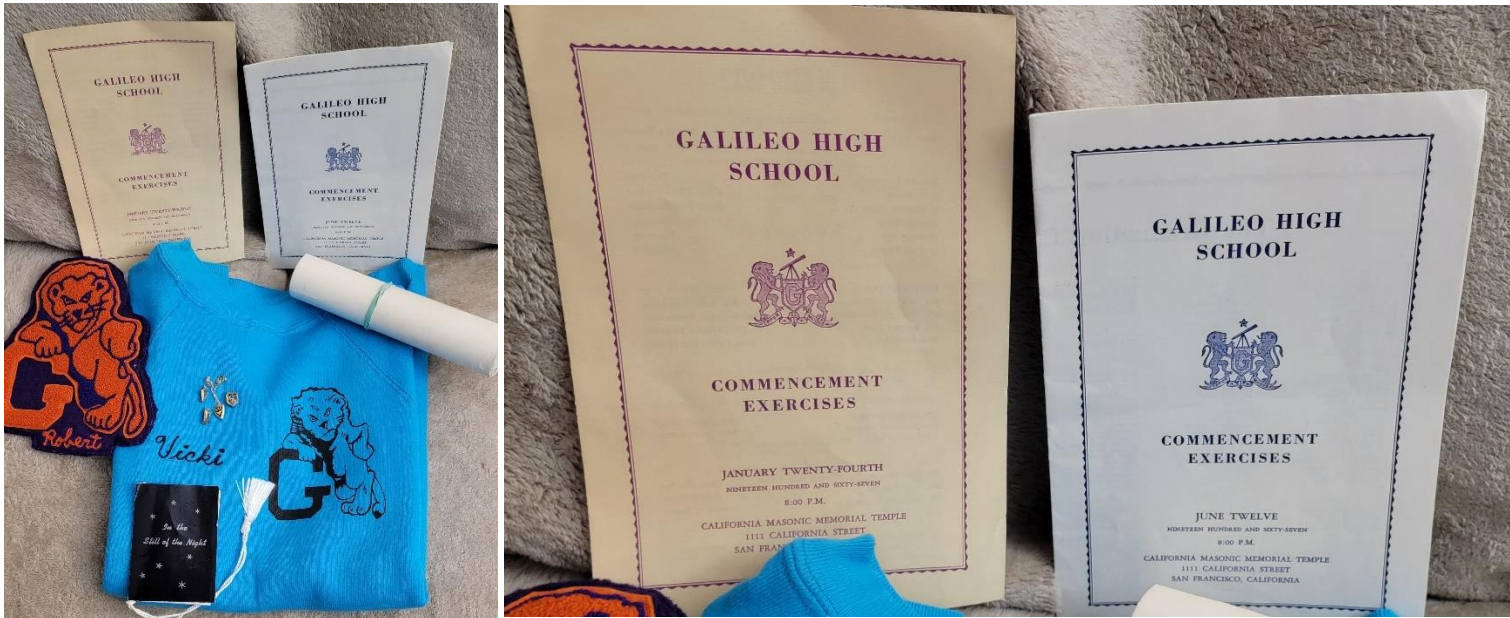
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A big thank you to Bob and Vicky Lamkey, Galileo classes of 1966 and 1967 for donating their personal Memorabilia. These mementos will be added to our display for the Centennial in October.



Where Are They Now?

The Galileo Academy of Science and Technology has been gifted with some talented alumni, a lot of whom aren't well known. This month I thought it'd be nice to do a story on an ex-Galilean. She is a kind, intelligent, and multitalented woman who represents Galileo's Class of 1944. Gloria Paris Panicucci was born in May, 1926 in San Francisco, California to Joseph and Ida Panicucci. Her parents were immigrants from Italy. She recalled her father as being a hardworking man who occasionally turned to alcohol in times of stress, while she described her mother as being a kind and compassionate woman who was a talented seamstress. "She would create my entire wardrobe for me," Gloria said. "She would sometimes go over-the-top with eccentric designs and fabric, and that led to some of the meaner children bullying me." Gloria enjoyed her years at Galileo High School though. She was a social butterfly who happened to be trilingual (she spoke English, Italian, and Spanish), so she had a lot of friends.

Gloria was an outstanding student who studied the violin and piano. She was a marvelous singer too. After graduating from Galileo High School in June, 1944, Gloria left San Francisco and traveled across California for various gigs with The Euterpe String Quartet. She, along with fellow musicians Dodie Hansen and Carol Davis, formed a trio called The Bachelorettes, and they performed at numerous venues including hotels, diners, and cafes. They won critical acclaim, with a columnist for the *Santa Rosa Republican* calling it "one of the West'sqq smartest nightclub acts." The group eventually pursued solo opportunities, so Gloria moved to San Rafael where she taught music to aspiring girls.

It was April, 1950 when Gloria returned home to compete for the title of Miss San Francisco, an annual pageant that was a prerequisite for Miss America. She was coaxed into it by a representative from Christopher Dairy Farms, who sponsored her in exchange for modeling for their advertising campaigns. Gloria was one of nineteen contestants that included two ex-Galileans and actress Barbara Eden. She advanced to the finals, playing the violin at the Paramount Theater for thousands of spectators, and placed 8th. In 1954, she starred on *The Chef Milani Show* and *Talent Parade* on KCOP-TV where she would play the violin while Joseph Milani prepared meals. After hiring her, he told the press "If music aids digestion, it should certainly aid cooking." This was Gloria's most prolific gig of her career. When asked how she got discovered for the series, she said "A friend of mine in San Francisco suggested I play for him [Joseph Milani]. It was the best suggestion anyone ever gave me." On June 12, 1954, Walter Ames of the *Los Angeles Times* did a story on her. He called her one of the "bright young stars of the future."

As her career cooled, she moved to Salinas and continued teaching music. She married James Allen, and together they had a daughter named Fiorella. She later married Eduardo Perez, and left California for Massachusetts. She gave up the idea of stardom and focused on motherhood. In response to leaving Hollywood, she said "I had a fun time, but it is not as glamorous as people think. You run into a lot of questionable people, and you don't get a lot of happiness from fame. I wouldn't go back to it. I am happy with my family, friends, and faith." As she approaches her 96th birthday, Gloria remains active. She lives in San Diego, California and volunteers a lot at her church. She is a devout Jehovah's Witness, often mentoring others at her congregation. She says that a secret to longevity is being positive, optimistic, and happy. I asked her whether she's visited Galileo High School's campus

since graduating. She said, “No, I haven’t. I don’t know why. It just hadn’t occurred to me. I have a lot of good memories of high school. I’d like to visit the campus someday.

Written by Samuel Clemens.





Through the Telescope

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In this centennial plus one year it is fitting to honor the distinguished alumni Galileo has produced. Since 1921 alumni in all walks of life have contributed to society. The Galileo Hall of Merit was established in 2015 to permanently recognize these individuals. Their names appear on the display on the main wall at Galileo as reminders to students and all who pass by of the school's proud tradition.

There are currently 52 alumni in the Hall of Merit. The achievements of the inductees have spanned the fields of science, technology, education, government and politics, business, medicine, music, entertainment and the arts. Another dozen or so will be inducted during the next Hall of Merit dinner ceremony, probably in Spring 2023. The event was postponed during the pandemic.

The Hall stands as an incentive for current students to excel in their studies as a preparation for success as adults.

Galileo has also excelled in producing outstanding student and alumni athletes. The Galileo Sports Hall of Fame which was established earlier during the last century has a remarkable list of male and female achievers in all sports. There are over 300 members in the Sports Hall of Fame. The SHOF dinner induction ceremony usually takes place in the Fall. Hopefully there will be a dinner this year, depending on the coronavirus situation.

We invite all alumni and students to visit the displays of both Halls on the walls of Galileo. Listed below are all the current members of both Halls.

Beginning with this issue, we are happy to welcome a new columnist, Samuel Clemens. He is the grand nephew of Pat Sheehan '49 who was inducted into the Hall of Merit in 2019. Samuel has written and published a book about her titled "Pat, A Biography of Hollywood's Blonde Starlet." It is available on Amazon. Samuel's column is called "Where Are They Now?"

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GALILEO SPORTS HALL OF FAME

Athletes, Coaches and Special Catagory

| First | Last name | Year Inducted | First | Last name | Year Inducted | First | Last name | Year Inducted |
|----------|-----------|---------------|----------------|---------------|---------------|------------|-------------|---------------|
| Kevin | Adams | 2006 | Bob | Chadwick | 2004 | John | Ertola | 1994 |
| John | Aguirre | 1990 | Harry | Chelini | 2001 | Ron | Ertola | 2000 |
| George | Alvarado | 2006 | Ken | Chelini | 1993 | Fernando | Escobar | 2010 |
| Rod | Andrews | 1989 | Frank | Chiu | 1999 | Kent | Evans | 2019 |
| Joe | Angel | 2012 | Albert | Chu | 1994 | Emile | Fanfelle | 1999 |
| Tom | Anti | 2013 | Ralph | Cicurel | 2000 | Peter | Fay | 1998 |
| Peter | Arnautoff | 2010 | Gino | Cimoli | 1975 | Mark | Ferguson | 1999 |
| Steven | Aronson | 1998 | Fred | Cirimele | 1989 | James | Ficken | 2007 |
| Paul | Avedano | 2012 | Brittany | Clark | 2007 | Steve | Filipas | 1997 |
| Howard | Bach | 1996 | Rodney | Clemente | 2010 | John | Finn | 1993 |
| Rich | Baptista | 1989 | Jack | Cochran | 1996 | Bill | Flanagan | 1991 |
| Italo | Baioni | 2016 | Sheire | Coleman | 2012 | Ken | Flanagan | 1990 |
| Dave | Barni | 1992 | Joe | Conti | 1997 | Paul | Flores | 1989 |
| Rich | Barni | 2013 | Laura | Cortez | 1990 | Danielle | Fong | 2014 |
| Roy | Barni | 1981 | Markey | Crane | 1989 | Kevin | Fong | 2005 |
| Von | | | | | | | | |
| Babe | Barsotti | 1993 | Margaret | Creer-Solon | 2012 | Ray | Forniciari | 1999 |
| Wayne | Beasley | 1992 | Gordon | Cuneo | 1998 | Maurice | Forte | 2016 |
| Dick | Bechelli | 2005 | Ann | Cuneo | 1981 | Rod | Franz | 1981 |
| Rudi | Behar | 2007 | Esmo | Dal Poggetto | 2000 | Joe | Gallagher | 1993 |
| Mike | Bellanca | 1994 | Ray | Dal Poggetto | 2010 | Ernie | Gammino | 2005 |
| Wallace | Bernard | 2016 | Lawrence Lordi | Damato | 1993 | Tommy | Garrett | 2013 |
| D'eante | Bernstine | 2016 | Ernest | Daumas | 2019 | Herb | Gee | 1989 |
| Tony | Beerly | 2019 | Raymond | Davis | 2019 | Ray | Gennette | 1997 |
| Eugene | Birsinger | 1996 | George | DeLong | 2007 | Gus | Geraldi | 2014 |
| Kenneth | Blue | 1996 | Ian | Dea | 1992 | Paul | Giambra | 1993 |
| Steve | Bokura | 2010 | Reno | DeBenedetti | 1993 | Vince | Gianni | 1981 |
| James | Bolden | 1983 | Curt | Decker | 2014 | Bob | Gini | 1999 |
| Eugene | Birsinger | 1996 | Larry | Dee | 1993 | Dino | Giovacchini | 1991 |
| Kenneth | Blue | 1996 | Mike | Delgado | 1991 | Vince | Gomez | 2005 |
| Steve | Bokura | 2010 | George | DeLuca | 2001 | Chris | Gray | 1996 |
| James | Bolden | 1983 | Mike | DeLuca | 2005 | Bettie | Grinnell | 2007 |
| John | Bologna | 2006 | Ed | DeMartini | 2004 | Rudy | Guice | 1993 |
| Joe | Borg | 1992 | Gene | DeMartini | 2006 | Bruce | Hale | 1989 |
| Joe | Bortoli | 1995 | Thomas | DeNike | 1981 | Jay | Hale | 1992 |
| Ray | Bower | 1989 | Bill | Denser | 1990 | Doris | Hale | 1996 |
| | | | | DerHarootunia | | | | |
| Don | Bragg | 1989 | Sisvan | n | 2006 | Nick | Haloski | 1992 |
| Lawrenc | | | | | | | | |
| e | Bravo | 2007 | Sam | DeVito | 1995 | Carla | Harris | 2004 |
| Al | Bravo | 2010 | Orrin | DeVoto | 1991 | Lane | Hawkins | 1997 |
| Keith | Bridwell | 1997 | Angelo | Dillon | 1990 | Keith | Hazell | 2014 |
| Pedro | Brito | 2016 | Dominic | DiMaggio | 1995 | John | Hazen | 1991 |
| Gaither | Brooks | 1991 | Joe | DiMaggio | 2000 | Michael | Herndon | 2019 |
| Bobby | Brown | 1989 | Art | Dito | 1991 | Edwin | Hersh | 2016 |
| Tracy | Brown | 1995 | Robert | Domergue | 1999 | Howard | Hill | 1998 |
| Stan | Buchanan | 2013 | Oscar | Donahue | 1999 | Doug | Hom | 1990 |
| Bill | Burke | 1989 | Dexter | Doss | 2014 | Patty | Homan | 1989 |
| John | Bussanick | 1996 | Anne | Dougherty | 1994 | Maceo | Houston | 2012 |
| Hillary | Byrd | 2004 | Joe | Drake | 1991 | Chester | Hunter | 1979 |
| Willie | Cage | 2016 | Jim | Dresser | 2004 | Mark | Huynh | 2012 |
| Dennis | Callahan | 2000 | Mike | Dunne | 2012 | Milton | Jang | 1998 |
| Ray | Canepa | 1991 | Mickey | Duzdevich | 1994 | Nate | Janney | 2001 |
| Ray | Carmassi | 1993 | Bronco | Duzdevich | 2000 | Ras | Johnson | 1975 |
| Terrence | Carter | 2007 | Gerald | Dyson | 1999 | Tom | Johnson | 1992 |
| Tex | Cendali | 2000 | Harland | Eastwood | 1990 | Washington | Johnson | 1994 |
| George | Cerelli | 2000 | Harold | Ebright | 1996 | Cherise | Johnson | 2010 |

| First | Last name | Year Inducted | First | Last name | Year Inducted | First | Last name | Year Inducted |
|---------------|------------|---------------|-----------|-------------|---------------|----------|------------|---------------|
| Gordon | Jones | 1994 | Burton | Miller | 1997 | Art | Sheehan | 1989 |
| Nicol | Juratovac | 2006 | Kevin | Mooney | 2012 | O. J. | Simpson | 1975 |
| Don | Kane | 1998 | Vince | Moreci | 1989 | Greg | Sinclair | 1996 |
| Lawrence | Kane | 2006 | Vince Jr. | Moreci | 2010 | Francis | Slavich | 1989 |
| James | Kearney | 1991 | Steve | Moresi | 2012 | Ron | Sligar | 2005 |
| Tom | King | 2007 | Alan | Mould | 1994 | Roy | Smalley | 1994 |
| Grover | Klemmer | 1981 | Harry | Mould | 1998 | Eric | Soderstrom | 1994 |
| Jim | Konig | 2001 | Jack | Mould | 1989 | Ray | Solari | 1995 |
| Kristine | Lam | 1993 | Hudari | Murray | 2012 | Alex | Speiller | 1995 |
| Paul | Lamphere | 2018 | Mitch | Musgrove | 2019 | Gary | Spires | 1986 |
| Lou | Landini | 1991 | Michael | Mustacchi | 1995 | Ken | Spence | 2001 |
| George | Lapin | 1993 | Dino | Natali | 2012 | Carl | Spirz | 1990 |
| Vince | LaRocca | 2006 | Dylan | Nelson | 2016 | Ted | Spirz | 1991 |
| Roy | Lazzari | 1991 | Gon Yee | Ng | 2014 | Carl | Spitzer | 1995 |
| Albert | Lee | 2000 | Michelle | Ng | 2014 | Karl | Stewart | 1986 |
| Jason | Lee | 2012 | John | Norris | 1999 | Jerry | Tamelier | 1995 |
| Bob | Leipsic | 1990 | Fred | O'Donnell | 2006 | Armen | Terzian | 1993 |
| Reggie | Leipsic | 2014 | Bryan | Oliver | 1985 | Norman | Thompson | 1997 |
| Henry | Lewis | 1997 | David | Oliver | 1979 | Richard | Thompson | 2014 |
| Alexandra | Liang | 2008 | Marc | Oliver | 1996 | Leonard | Tong | 1991 |
| Lynn | Little | 1990 | Don | Papa | 2007 | Richard | Tong | 1975 |
| Lawson | Lodigiani | 1981 | John | Parenti | 2000 | Don | Tonge | 2007 |
| Dario | Lofrano | 1994 | Henry | Paris | 1990 | Fred | Tooker | 2006 |
| Terry | Lombardi | 1998 | Aldo | Pasquinelli | 1993 | Anthony | Tornay | 1990 |
| Mario | Lomeli | 2004 | Martin | Passaglia | 1998 | Frank | Totaro | 1992 |
| Ralph | Lommori | 1989 | Seb | Passanisi | 1998 | Vince | Tringali | 1996 |
| Pete | Longacre | 2005 | Don G. | Patton | 1997 | Obinnah | Uwakah | 2013 |
| Dave | Louie | 1991 | Frank | Pavich | 2005 | Uzoma | Uwakah | 2013 |
| Connie | Lucchesi | 1975 | Brice | Peoples | 2013 | Bernard | Valdez | 2004 |
| Frank | Luisetti | 1975 | Sam | Peoples | 2012 | Nick | Valeri | 2005 |
| Angelo "Hank" | Luke | 1975 | Hal | Petrocchi | 1990 | Romano | Vincenzi | 1991 |
| Henry | Lum | 1989 | Dolph | Pippus | 1990 | Johnny | Walker | 1979 |
| George | Ma | 2013 | Jack | Podesta | 1997 | Kenny | Walls | 2014 |
| Lyndi | Mahy | 1995 | Mario | Pompei | 1999 | Lenny | Walls | 2014 |
| Dixie | Manteuffel | 1991 | Pete | Pompei | 2005 | Jimmy | Walton | 2016 |
| Rich | Marino | 1990 | Frank | Pompei | 2007 | Bill | Ward | 1997 |
| Joe | Marionetti | 1990 | Wiley | Price | 1992 | Michael | Ward | 2016 |
| Gino | Mark | 1995 | Mel | Pritchard | 2001 | Larry | Weber | 1989 |
| Stanley | Martin | 2019 | Louis | Puccinelli | 1995 | Guy | Whitaker | 1990 |
| Thomas | Martin | 2019 | Tony | Ragusa | 1994 | George | White | 1991 |
| Roosevelt | Martino | 2005 | Red | Ramos | 2000 | Otis | White | 2010 |
| Joe | Massucco | 2004 | Bob | Randall | 2006 | Odell J. | Williams | 2000 |
| Al | Mazeres | 2001 | Reno | Rapagnani | 1990 | Walter | Williams | 1989 |
| Bob | McCaffrey | 1996 | Albert | Ratto | 1995 | Joanne | Wiltshire | 2006 |
| Jack | McCall | 2016 | Rich | Sbragia | 1993 | Eugene | Wing | 2010 |
| Tyrone | McClanahan | 2004 | Ken | Scaruffi | 2010 | Ethan | Winterling | 2007 |
| James | McCoy | 2014 | Lorin | Scola | 2004 | Gemo | Yagabosky | 2001 |
| Nolan | McGuffin | 2000 | Fred | Scolari | 1975 | | | |
| Dick | McKinley | 1989 | Solon | Scordelis | 1999 | | | |
| Ruckins | McKinney | 2019 | Anastasi | Scott | 1989 | | | |
| Frank | McNeil | 2019 | Otto | Sempel | 1996 | | | |
| Angelo | Michaelis | 1989 | Fred | Setting | 1992 | | | |
| Jean | Michelucci | 1990 | Bobby | Shaw | 2007 | | | |
| Joe | Michelucci | 1997 | Marques | Shaw | 2019 | | | |
| Lou | | | | | | | | |

GALILEO HALL OF MERIT

| First | Last name | Year Inducted | First | Last name | Year Inducted |
|----------------|-------------|---------------|------------------|-----------|---------------|
| Fred | Basconcillo | 2017 | Boots Rolf | Hughston | 2019 |
| Ed | Belasco | 2015 | Richard F. | Johnston | 2017 |
| Barbara | Bouchet | 2017 | Dr. Mary Ann | Jones | 2019 |
| Robert "Bobby" | Brown | 2012 | Dr. Harry | Kitano | 2016 |
| Dr. Harrison | Brown | 2016 | Him Mark | Lai | 2015 |
| Dr. Frank | Brucia | 2016 | Fred | Lau | 2015 |
| Robert H. | Bury | 2017 | Dr. Angela C. | Little | 2019 |
| Gwen | Chan | 2016 | Will | Marchetti | 2017 |
| Macy Mak | Chan | 2016 | Milton | Marks Jr. | 2016 |
| Margaret | Chin | 2017 | Eric | Martin | 2019 |
| Christopher | Chow | 2019 | George | Maslach | 2019 |
| Rose | Chung | 2019 | Charlene Fachner | Mori | 2019 |
| Leonard | Compagno | 2016 | John | Orofino | 2015 |
| Gen. Theodore | Conway | 2019 | Ray | Piccinini | 2016 |
| Merritt | Cutten II | 2019 | Ronald | Quan | 2017 |
| Arthur | Dong | 2015 | Nicholas | Quirarte | 2017 |
| Dennis | Doolin | 2019 | John | Santos | 2019 |
| Harry | Du Young | 2016 | Patricia | Sheenan | 2019 |
| Norman | Fong | 2015 | Michael | Smuin | 2016 |
| Giovanna | Gaskell | 2017 | David | Toschi | 2016 |
| Theodore | Geballe | 2016 | Joan | Weldon | 2019 |
| Richard | Goldman | 2012 | Lawrence | Wong | 2019 |
| Vince | Gomez | 2017 | Leland | Wong | 2017 |
| Peter E. | Haas | 2019 | Zeppelin | Wong | 2019 |
| Walter A. | Haas | 2019 | Arthur | Woo | 2016 |
| Gay Yee | Hill | 2019 | Norman | Yee | 2015 |

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Greetings Mighty Lions! Here's what's happening at Galileo these days.

SPRING 2022 SCHOOL OPERATIONS UPDATE

All San Francisco Unified School District schools are now open for full-time in person learning. Wearing masks inside the buildings is now optional; however, most students and staff continue to wear their masks. Just before the mask mandate was lifted every San Francisco School received thousands of surgical masks, along with hand sanitizers, wipes and home COVID test kits. We still need to be vigilant in practicing safe COVID precautions.

ASB (Associated Student Body)

ASB and the rest of the school were definitely hoping to be a little bit closer to normal this year but no amount of restrictions can keep us from coming together as a community after being apart for over a year and building up the Galileo school spirit! We are now seeing an increase in lunch time activities in the courtyard with activities such as Club Day and College and Career Information. Wellness sponsored Love Fest on Valentine's Day and there were lots of fun games and information booths. Everyone seemed to enjoy being together again and the weather was so nice.

JROTC

JROTC is back and going strong after the many months away from school and performing. It is so nice to hear the Drum Corp practicing after school with the synchronization of the instruments, voices and steps! JROTC Teacher Chris Chisholm leads the students.

We recently heard that JROTC was going to be ended at Galileo, Balboa and Mission, as these schools did not meet the requirements of at least 100 students and two full time JROTC instructors. The district was not in the position to fund the programs. It wasn't too long before the Army stepped forward. Major General Davis, Commander of the US Army Cadette Command will oversee the JROTC program for the SFUSD high schools. The US Army will also fund the required two instructors for each school. Both the JROTC students and many other people from the school communities are happy that JROTC will remain at all schools. Burton High School has a program that is US Navy and it is not certain at this time if it will remain Navy or convert to Army.

GRADUATION

Graduation for all of the SFUSD's high schools will again be held at Kezar Stadium. Galileo's graduation will be held on May 31, 2022 at 4:30pm in the afternoon. Students will wear the traditional purple caps and gowns and be able to choose whether to wear a mask or not wear a mask. The time allotted for the ceremony for all schools will be 90 minutes and then the stadium will be cleaned for the next school. Students will pick up their caps and gowns and other graduation regalia, such as sashes and medals, at school prior to the day of the ceremony.

Senior Breakfast will be held on June 1, 2022, which is the last day of school and is a day of instruction for all students, including seniors. There is a good chance The Awards Ceremony for Seniors will also be held on June 1, 2022. Plans are still not finalized yet. Needless to say, the members of the Galileo Graduation Class of 2022 are happy these events will happen!

ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP) COURSES

Currently there are approximately 31 sections of a variety of Advanced Placement Classes at Galileo, including English, History, Math, Science, Foreign Language and Art. Teachers who taught these classes were given an extra "Prep" period in their daily schedule to prepare for these advanced classes. Due to the school district's budget shortages, the AP Prep Period will disappear for those teachers in all the schools. This will reduce the number of teachers needed at school sites as all high school teachers will have 5 class periods and 1 prep period, including those teachers with AP courses.

INSTALLATION OF NEW SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

On March 11, 2022 the three newly appointed San Francisco School Board Members were installed on Galileo's Athletic Field by Mayor London Breed. Those attending the event included Dr. Vince Mathews, Superintendent of Schools, many San Francisco City Supervisors, and a large number of reporters and photographers. I was waiting at the entrance to the field for Mayor Breed and when we saw each other we hugged and started talking and walking toward the podium. She had a seat for me and then began her opening remarks. She mentioned she thought that Galileo (her alma mater) was the perfect place to hold this important ceremony. She began her opening remarks and then saluted me as the one in the audience who was at Galileo when she was a student. It was so touching. She introduced the three new Board Members—Ann Hsu (current Galileo PTSA President), Lainie Motamedi, and Lisa Weissman Ward. The new members were sworn in and then each one gave a short presentation. After the ceremony we walked to the gate and all of a sudden people were taking photos. It was so much fun! I even handed my phone to a stranger to get a photo of Mayor London Breed and me!

GALILEO AND THE MUNI OPENING OF VAN NESS BUS LANES

On Friday April 1, 2022 there was a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony to open the new Muni and Golden Gate Transit Bus Lanes on Van Ness Avenue. This was held in front of the War Memorial Building. The end of the line is at Bay Steet and Van Ness Avenue, identified as the location of the Galileo Academy of Science & Technology. After the ceremony those city officials who were part of the ceremony boarded the first two busses and rode to the end of the line at Galileo, and participated in a fun celebration. A delightful Jazz Band composed of SFUSD student musicians, set up with very professional sound equipment, entertained the guests from the Galileo Athletic Field. There was a Taco Truck on Northpoint and Van Ness and everyone was in a celebratory spirit.

Many people walking in the area stopped to admire Galileo's Athletic Field and asked good questions. Nick Naudain, a Galileo Security Aide and also Athletic Coach was hired as security for the event. I volunteered to be Galileo's representative for the event. April 1st was the last day of this year's Spring Break, so no students or faculty were able to participate in this celebration.

READ THE PENDULUM ONLINE

Again this school year 2022-2023 school year it is again possible to read Galileo's newspaper, "The Pendulum" [online] so you can keep up with what is going on at school. The Galileo Website has been converted to a new portal and the SFUSD is overseeing websites for all the schools. Simply go the Galileo website: [<http://www.galileoweb.org>] and on the front page on the right-hand side you will see **Pendulum Online** with "Read More." Simply click on that and you can read each edition of "The Pendulum."

SPORTS UPDATE

Athletic Director David Braun shares his updates on Fall and Winter Sports:

"Boys Soccer- great season making the playoffs but lost in the first round of the playoffs to rival Marshall. Next year they return almost all of their starters and will look for revenge.

Ladies Soccer- Due to COVID, the season started out rough with some players being stuck in other countries and others not able to play because of testing positive. Did pull off some solid victories but didn't make the playoffs. Next year they bring back most of their starters and will look to make the playoffs.

Ladies Basketball- made the playoffs for the first time in many years but lost in the first round to Lowell.

Boys Basketball- After beating Mission during the regular season at home, they beat them again in the first round of the playoffs in a game that will be remembered for years to come. Unfortunately, they lost in the second round to Lowell but overall had an amazing season.

Flag Football just wrapped up its season finishing second in the city losing to Lincoln in the championship game.

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“The track team is off to a great start with over 50 athletes competing so far. With one more big invitation at Skyline High on April 30th the track team has hopes of a top 3 finish at City Finals.

Highlights have been:

Jarvis Thompson and Leo Lin ranked 3rd and 4th in the city for long jump.

Noelle Kimotsuki ranked 3rd in the 800 and 5th in the 1600 with times both close to the school record.

Mathias Camilli is ranked 5th in the 800, 7th in the 1600 and 6th in the 3200 in San Francisco

Philip Zhang leads the way for the sprinters posting some nice 100 meter and 200 meter times of 12.0 and 25.4.”

Spring Sports Update from Coach Nick Naudain (Galileo Class of 1998):

“Wrestling did amazingly well this year with Sophomore, Angel Sanchez and seniors, Butch Capalla and Head Captain Joseph Tam all making it to the State Finals Tournament in their respective weight division.

Girls Flag Football had an incredible season. Led by a stellar offensive performance by Quarterback Sariyah Duong and a "NO FLY ZONE" defensive performance from Daniella Chaname, Head Coach Adrian Poot delivered on his promise of another Championship Game appearance. Unfortunately, the Lioness Squad fell short to Lincoln 16-7.

Led by Head Coach Mark Huynh; Galileo Basketball had a successful season, finishing 6-4 in League competition. Despite outstanding performances from seniors Saef Saleh, Tyler Lee and Noah Nepomuceno, Galileo was unable to defeat Lowell in the first round of the playoffs.”

GALILEO WILL CELEBRATE 100 YEARS IN SEPTEMBER 2022!

Planning continues to celebrate Galileo’s centennial. The very enthusiastic committee of Galileo Alumni (GAA) the ASB, PTSA, Administration, Faculty and Staff, students and friends are encouraged to participate in planning and conducting this important event. The Galileo Centennial Celebration will kick-off in September and October 2022. We are also designing Sweatshirts, T-Shirt Caps and Hoodies to commemorate Galileo’s 100 Years! Stay tuned and if you would like to be on one of the planning teams, please let your organization leaders know as well as our GAA President Charlene Mori.

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Let me know what you’d like to hear/read about at Galileo. Bettie on the Beat will be happy to answer your questions and handle your requests.

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 Gaskell, (Woeber) Giovanna "Joan" (December 28, 1933 – August 2, 2021)
[Gentile, Al \(September 18, 1924 – March 6, 2022\)](#)
[Go, Rance \(April 10, 1949 – April 8, 2022\)](#)
[Hanke, Robert L. \(February 7, 1928 – February 7, 1922\)](#)
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[Lee, Lori \(March 25, 1950 – April 4, 2022\)](#)
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[Moresi, Pierre Charles \(December 20, 1937 – January 6, 2022\)](#)
[Paradise, Alba Nella \(September 3, 1928 – January 2, 1922\)](#)
[Pease, Gloria \(February 22, 1931 – October 23, 2021\)](#)
[Ramirez, Sharon Irene \(1946 – May 14, 2022\)](#)
[Sahagian, Richard \(February 17, 1928 – November 10, 2021\)](#)
[Salvarezza, Robert Mario \(August 25, 1928 – March 19, 2022\)](#)
[Schnell, Therese Marie \(February 14, 1948 – March 14, 2022\)](#) Teacher
[Schultz, Lavern LaRocca \(November 13, 1931 – February 27, 2022\)](#)
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